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The Honorable Daniel G. Bogden  
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Dear Mr. Bogden: *DB*

Thank you for the time and effort your District spent in completing the 2003 District Performance Report. The information you provided will assist the Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) and the Office of the Deputy Attorney General in assessing the outstanding work that you and the other United States Attorneys' Offices are doing, and will help us to better serve your needs. Your Performance Report has been thoroughly reviewed. Any issues you may have identified have been or will be referred to the appropriate EOUSA component for follow-up action. Your Report will also be forwarded to the Evaluation and Review Staff for its use in preparing for your office's next evaluation. Overall the 2003 District Performance Reports were excellent, and demonstrate a firm commitment by United States Attorneys to achieve the Department's National Priorities, as well as a wide variety of District priorities and sound management practices.

As evidenced in your Report, the District of Nevada has effectively dedicated its resources to advocate and implement the Department's National Priorities. Despite a large and predominantly rural District, the Anti-Terrorism Advisory Council (ATAC) and Joint Terrorism Task Force (JTTF) effectively coordinated federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies to assess and respond to risks of terrorism. Additionally, to facilitate information sharing, your ATAC joined with the JTTF to create the Nevada Emergency Operations and Notification Network web site. Because Las Vegas is replete with high interest targets, your District had to work very hard to overcome the transfer of investigative resources away from white collar crime. As a result, your District continues to bring many significant white collar prosecutions, sending the clear message that economic crimes will not escape detection and punishment. The efforts of your narcotics prosecution strategy have also been outstanding, as evidenced by the 100 percent increase in OCDETF cases from 2002. Your serious approach to gun violence reduction is



reflected in your Project Effect/Project Safe Neighborhoods initiatives. Programs such as yours which combine strategic planning, research, innovation, training, and aggressive prosecution greatly further the cause of the reduction of gun crime.

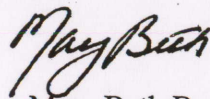
In addition to pursuing National Priorities, the District Priorities you have set illustrates your District's firm grasp on its unique issues and crime problems. Your District has excelled in presenting the message of zero tolerance of official corruption, as evidenced by your prosecution of officials from Lander and Clark Counties and the Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles. Additionally, your office worked diligently with the Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Internal Revenue Service to disrupt operations of the many La Cosa Nostra crime families in Las Vegas, through operations such as Matchbox and the Crazy Horse Too investigation. The complex issues arising from the Indian Country in your District present challenges which you have met with vigor, as demonstrated in your aggressive prosecution strategy and the work of your Tribal Liaison/Indian Country Prosecutor to reach out to all 26 tribes.

The management principles applied in your District promote a high quality of work from your personnel. Your hiring procedures ensure that only the best qualified candidates are selected. The use of National Advocacy Center training and mentors for new attorney personnel are excellent tools for ensuring a knowledgeable and capable work force. Your system of case reviews and review of LIONS and Alcatraz information, combined with an open door management policy, encourage excellence and direct employees to achieve greater productivity. Further, the relationships your District has carefully developed with client agencies plays an important role in your success.

We are aware of the time-consuming nature of the District Performance Report and greatly appreciate the time your office spent on completing it. In an effort to decrease future reporting burdens on your office, we are carefully reviewing all feedback we received regarding this reporting process, and will incorporate the same in order to improve and streamline reporting requirements in the future.

Again, thank you for your hard work on your Report, which makes clear the emphasis you have put on carrying out Departmental priorities and maintaining a solid management practice. If you have any questions, please call me or Dan Villegas, Counsel, Office of Legal Programs and Policy, at (202) 616-6444.

Sincerely,

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Mary Beth Buchanan  
Director



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Honorable Daniel G. Bogden  
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Dear Mr. Bogden:

As we close out fiscal year 2006, I would like to take this opportunity to thank you and your staff and acknowledge the sacrifices they made to help the United States Attorney community not only eliminate the shortfall projected at the beginning of the year, but create a small carryover balance to better our fiscal health in the out years. I feel it is important that we applaud those offices who implemented cost savings measures that allowed us to achieve this success.

In addition to the cutbacks practiced across your district, your office took an additional step and voluntarily returned \$100,000 to EOUSA. I am acutely aware of the hardships that these reductions imposed on you and your staff given how difficult things were last year. I greatly appreciate your efforts and devotion to duty, and ask for your continued support as we carry on in meeting the mission of the United States Attorneys.

Sincerely,

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Michael A. Battle  
Director